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Applicant : Quan Nguyen, et al.
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Examiner : Melanie Yu

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed February 4, 2005, Applicants elect to prosecute Group I (claims 1-61) without traverse, although Applicants note that the material difference cited by the Examiner is unclear. (Namely, Applicants are uncertain of the meaning of the Examiner's statement that "the product of group I can be used in the materially different process of separation of an analyte from a sample.")

In response to the requirement to elect a single disclosed species, Applicants elect:

- from Group A, a fluorescent signal;
- from Group B, a polypeptide;
- from Group C, a protease;
- from Group D, an SH-2 domain (although Applicants note this election is without meaning since "a protease" was elected in Group C);
- from Group E, a polypeptide;
- from Group F, a mitochondrion; and

